DEAR EDITOR:

With both parties now having presented their platforms for the 2012 election, it is clear who was united from the beginning. Having to amend the platform after the fact, only to appease the man in power, makes it look like more of the same for four more years if Obama is re-elected. This unrest in the Democratic Party only shows that one needs to educate him/herself as to what is at stake.

One of the true details of the HHS mandate are exposed, it shows that freedoms are being taken away from every citizen. Some citizens will give up their religious freedom and medical treatment freedom by voting their party line. I say vote your conscience. The HHS mandate will only add financial burden to taxpayers. Do we want more financial burden? No!

Citizens can stand up for their rights; vote as if your life depends on it — it does. There will be no medical assistance for many as someone else will decide if treatment is needed for your illness, not you. There is no “free lunch” in today’s world. Many people are third generation welfare recipients and will vote to keep it that way.

It’s time to pray about the issues and educate oneself on the issues. Don’t listen to a biased conversation from a liberal news media as a way to decide how you vote. The news article by Mike Ford in The Herald on Aug. 29 regarding religious freedom was an unfair representation of the HHS mandate and how it attacks our religious freedom. Vote your conscience and vote for the person you want to represent you in government.

For more information, visit usccb.org/conscience and meetup.com/Faith4Freedom.

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